

MINUTES NO. 2011-12-RG

OF A

REGULAR MEETING

OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF

THE CITY OF MADISON, ALABAMA

MAY 9, 2011

The Madison City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 9, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Madison Municipal Complex, Madison, Alabama.

Noting that a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Overcash.

Rex Looney of Crosspointe Church provided the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council President Overcash.

ROLL CALL OF ELECTED GOVERNING OFFICIALS

Roll Call of Elected Governing Officials was conducted by City Clerk-Treasurer Melanie A. Williard and recorded as follows:

Mayor Paul Finley	Present
Council District No. 1 Tim Holcombe	Absent
Council District No. 2 Steve Haraway	Present
Council District No. 3 Jerry Jennings	Present
Council District No. 4 Tim Cowles	Present
Council District No. 5 Tommy Overcash	Present
Council District No. 6 Larry Vannoy	Present
Council District No. 7 Ronica Ondocsin	Present

Also in attendance were: City Clerk-Treasurer Melanie A. Williard, Assistant City Clerk-Treasurer Stacy A. Gilley, Lieutenant Cooke, Finance Director Lillie Causey, Engineering Director Gary Chynoweth, Building Director Cody Phillips, Human Resources Director Terri Towry, Recreation Director Kory Alfred, Major Lee Weaver, Operations Manager Clay Baker, and Mayoral Aide Taylor Edge.

Public attendance registered: James Burton II, Chris Lindberg, Mary Fletcher, Felecia McInnish (Madison Chamber of Commerce), Tabitha Ivey (Madison Chamber of Commerce), Nicholas Mazikowski, Kathryn Sperry, Mia Powers, Laura Brake, Opie Balch, Elbert Balch, Winston S. Weaver, Paula Cushman, Dennis Sanders, Lucinda Chamberlain, Karen Jernigan, Jim McKee, Beth B. Martin (Madison Chamber of Commerce), Lori King-Taylor (Madison Chamber of Commerce), Steven Lay, Hamilton family, Judy Ryals, Pam Williams, Don Webster, Jamie Hill, Charlie Brown, Tim Ryberg, Michele Nesin Hunt, W.C. Fuller, Benjamin Sandstrom, Samuel Sandstrom, Greg Evans, Forrest Arvin, David Hergenroeder and one illegible signature.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MINUTES NO. 2011-11-RG, APRIL 25, 2011

Council Member Haraway moved to approve Minutes No. 2011-11-RG. Council Member Vannoy seconded. The vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Tim Holcombe	Absent
Council Member Steve Haraway	Aye
Council Member Jerry Jennings	Aye
Council Member Tim Cowles	Aye
Council Member Tommy Overcash	Aye
Council Member Larry Vannoy	Aye
Council Member Ronica Ondocsin	Aye

Motion carried

PRESENTATION AND AWARDS

MADISON ROTARY, EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR AWARDS

The Madison Rotary Club presented awards to three employees for outstanding service. They are as follows:

Firefighter Richard Ennis
Police Officer Patrick Hamilton
Human Resources Director Terri Towry

PRESENTATION OF MAYOR'S SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Mayor's Scholarship award in the amount of \$10,000.00 went to Nick Mazikowski. Nick is exceptional in Technical Theater. He has won writing and theater awards in local, state, and national competition levels and is an ideal student in all areas.

JUDY RYALS, HUNTSVILLE-MADISON COUNTY CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU UPDATE

Judy Ryals, of the Huntsville-Madison County Convention & Visitors Bureau appeared before Council to give an update. She reported that the 2010 Census ranked Madison as the fastest growing city in the State. The Visitors Center located in the Huntsville International Airport is near completion and they may be adding a second kiosk at the Space and Rocket Center. The Bureau remains active in a number of community events including free guided walking tours of the Historic District in Huntsville and Madison on Saturday mornings during the month of June.

SLAUGHTER & ASSOCIATES, DISCUSSION OF BENCHMARK PLAN FOR REDISTRICTING

Mike Slaughter of Slaughter & Associates presented demographic data received from the Census Bureau including 2010 Census block data and any annexations that have taken place since the last re-districting. He is prepared to move forward after determining that redistricting is needed. Slaughter & Associates will, at the City's direction, prepare a preliminary redistricting plan to be reviewed by Council and Legal.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

(Will be limited to 5 minutes if on the agenda and 3 minutes otherwise)

Winston Weaver of 103 Castleberry Drive approached Council with questions regarding Zeirdt Road re-paving and road repair. Mr. Weaver inquired if the re-paving was to be contracted out, and would the public be allowed to see the contract before it was awarded and lastly, what department is responsible for road re-paving.

Mr. Weaver was informed that sometimes Public Works does the re-paving and sometimes the work is contracted out. Also, as a rule, road contracts have to provide a two year warranty on the work. The point of contact on this would be the Engineering Department. He was also informed that Finance is in charge of contracts and once the contract is executed, it will be available for public view.

David Hergenroeder of 125 Coatbridge Lane appeared before Council expressing appreciation for all the City workers for their efforts during last week's storm and the aftermath.

CONSENT AGENDA AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Council Member Vannoy moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

Regular and periodic bills to be paid:

Resolution No. 2011-101-R approving a travel advance for Tanner Wilkerson to attend Introduction to LE Spanish seminar (to be paid from departmental budget)

Approval of payment to the following vendors for materials or services Related to the Gillespie Road/Hughes Road Intersection project (to be paid from Capital Improvement budget):

Turfgrass	\$63.00
Reed Contracting	\$562.02
Limestone Farmers Co Op	\$82.35
Thomson Cat Rental	\$265.20
Bob Cat of Huntsville	\$361.86

Resolution No. 2011-105-R declaring certain city property (1998 Ford Taurus) as surplus and authorizing that it be sold through auction on GovDeals

Resolution No. 2011-100-R authorizing the disposal or destruction of certain Revenue Department records as approved by the State Department of Archives

Resolution No. 2011-107-R declaring certain city property formerly used by the Finance Department as surplus and of negligible value and authorizing for its disposal

Resolution No. 2011-108-R authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with ARAMARK for provision of apparel, floor mats, etc. (to be paid from departmental budget)

Council Member Cowles seconded. The vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Tim Holcombe	Absent
Council Member Steve Haraway	Aye
Council Member Jerry Jennings	Aye
Council Member Tim Cowles	Aye
Council Member Tommy Overcash	Aye
Council Member Larry Vannoy	Aye
Council Member Ronica Ondocsin	Aye

Motion carried

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

MAYOR PAUL FINLEY

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-102-R APPROVING ANNUAL APPROPRIATION AGREEMENT WITH HUNTSVILLE MADISON COUNTY CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

Council Member Jennings moved to approve Resolution No. 2011-102-R. Council Member Haraway seconded. The vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Tim Holcombe	Absent
Council Member Steve Haraway	Aye
Council Member Jerry Jennings	Aye
Council Member Tim Cowles	Aye
Council Member Tommy Overcash	Aye
Council Member Larry Vannoy	Aye
Council Member Ronica Ondocsin	Aye

Motion carried

Mayor Finley congratulated Public Works, Fire Department and Police Department for their tireless efforts during last week's tornado and subsequent power outage.

Huntsville Medical Products donated \$100,000.00 to the Red Cross to Madison relief effort for tornado victims in this area.

Debris removal services have been bid out, but not finalized as of yet.

He also announced the resignation of Mayoral Aide Taylor Edge.

There was a break in the meeting from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for refreshments in honor of the employees of the year.

Mayor Finley left the Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

MADISON UTILITIES AGREEMENT DISCUSSION

Taylor Edge presented to Council a draft agreement between the City of Madison and Madison Utilities. This two year agreement addresses issues such as water and sewer relocations and failure of older roads. This agreement would also establish a street repair and maintenance fund to address the older roads that are failing.

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 1 TIM HOLCOMBE

Absent

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 2 STEVE HARAWAY

No business to report.

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 3 JERRY JENNINGS

No business to report.

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 4 TIM COWLES

Council Member Cowles urged the citizens to volunteer or donate to a local charity that helps victims of the recent tornado.

Council Member Cowles asked Council to meet to review the environmental study of the Mill Creek Greenway. Meeting time to be determined.

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 5 TOMMY OVERCASH

No business to report.

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 6 LARRY VANNOY

Council Member Vannoy reported that he had put together a resolution for a 50 meter pool at the YMCA and will have that for Council approval at the May 23rd Council Meeting.

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 7 RONICA ONDOCSIN

No business to report.

BOARD/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

UPCOMING MADISON CITY DISABILITY ADVISORY BOARD TERM EXPIRATIONS (PLACE 3 AND PLACE 6)

Council Member Haraway will be reviewing applications and this will be discussed at the next Council Meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Public Hearings listed on the Agenda for this evening.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

REVENUE

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2011-81 EXEMPTING CERTAIN "COVERED ITEMS" FROM MUNICIPAL SALES AND USE TAX DURING THE FIRST FULL WEEKEND OF AUGUST 2011 (FIRST READING - 04/25/2011)

Council Member Haraway moved to approve Proposed Ordinance No. 2011-81. Council Member Ondocsin seconded. The vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Tim Holcombe	Absent
Council Member Steve Haraway	Aye
Council Member Jerry Jennings	Aye
Council Member Tim Cowles	Aye
Council Member Tommy Overcash	Aye
Council Member Larry Vannoy	Aye
Council Member Ronica Ondocsin	Aye

Motion carried

POLICE

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-106-R AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A TARGET GRANT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000 TO IMPLEMENT A BICYCLE PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF MADISON (NO MATCHING FUNDS REQUIRED)

Council Member Haraway moved to approve Resolution No. 2011-106-R. Council Member Jennings seconded. The vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Tim Holcombe	Absent
Council Member Steve Haraway	Aye
Council Member Jerry Jennings	Aye
Council Member Tim Cowles	Aye
Council Member Tommy Overcash	Aye
Council Member Larry Vannoy	Aye
Council Member Ronica Ondocsin	Aye

Motion carried

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-104-R AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$671,984.00 (LOCAL REQUIREMENT THAT THE OFFICERS MUST BE RETAINED FOR ONE YEAR AT THE END OF THE GRANT) (4 OFFICERS - 3 YEARS 100% FUNDING)

Council Member Haraway moved to approve Resolution No. 2011-104-R. Council Member Jennings seconded. The vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Tim Holcombe	Absent
Council Member Steve Haraway	Aye
Council Member Jerry Jennings	Aye
Council Member Tim Cowles	Aye
Council Member Tommy Overcash	Aye
Council Member Larry Vannoy	Aye
Council Member Ronica Ondocsin	Aye

Motion carried

ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION FROM QUANTUM RESEARCH INTERNATIONAL OF EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION IN THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER WITH A VALUE OF \$50,406.03

Council Member Haraway moved to accept the donation from Quantum Research in the amount of \$50,406.03. Council Member Jennings seconded. The vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Tim Holcombe	Absent
Council Member Steve Haraway	Aye
Council Member Jerry Jennings	Aye
Council Member Tim Cowles	Aye
Council Member Tommy Overcash	Aye
Council Member Larry Vannoy	Aye
Council Member Ronica Ondocsin	Aye

Motion carried

LEGAL

LEGAL ACTION ITEMS

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2011-97 REPEALING A PRIOR VACATION OF EASEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE WATER AND WASTEWATER BOARD OF THE CITY OF MADISON TO DISPOSE OF ITS INTEREST IN CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY (FIRST READING 04/25/2011)

Council Member Haraway moved to approve Proposed Ordinance No. 2011-97. Council Member Jennings seconded. The vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Tim Holcombe	Absent
Council Member Steve Haraway	Aye
Council Member Jerry Jennings	Aye
Council Member Tim Cowles	Aye
Council Member Tommy Overcash	Aye
Council Member Larry Vannoy	Aye
Council Member Ronica Ondocsin	Aye

Motion carried

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

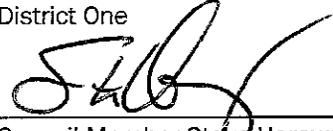
ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Signatures on the following page:

Minutes No. 2011-12-RG, dated May 9, 2011, read, approved and adopted this 23rd day of May, 2011.


Council Member Tim Holcombe
District One


Council Member Steve Haraway
District Two


Council Member Jerry Jennings
District Three

ABSENT
Council Member Tim Cowles
District Four

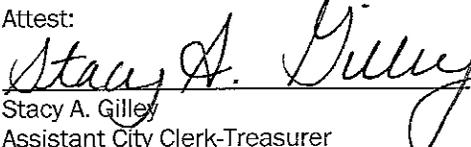
ABSENT
Council Member Tommy Overcash
District Five

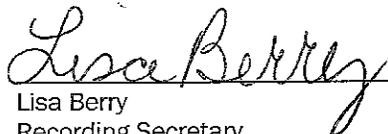

Council Member Larry Vannoy
District Six


Ronica Ondocsin
District Seven

Concur:

Paul Finley
Mayor

Attest:

Stacy A. Gilley
Assistant City Clerk-Treasurer


Lisa Berry
Recording Secretary